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WEST SIDE NEWS.

Miss Nelly Stanley is visiting in Hammond.

Mrs. E. B. Brown is visiting friends in Hammond.

Mrs. C. S. Crothers was shopping in Astoria on Monday.

The A. & C. R. Station at Fort Stevens is all set up.

Miss Mary Loomis spent Sunday with friends in Skipanon.

Miss Jessie Gray is visiting her sister Mrs. Harris in Astoria.

S. C. Case and family have moved to Vancouver for the winter.

A. W. Utzinger has moved his family from Astoria to Hammond.

Mrs. O. B. Wirt was in Portland last week doing her Christmas shopping.

Mrs. C. W. Carnahan went to Astoria Monday to do Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Higgins spent Sunday at the home of D. K. Warren.

Rev. Henry Marquette held an interesting service in Warrenton Friday evening.

The Seaside postoffice has been moved to a building opposite Mr. McGuire's hotel.

Mrs. D. K. Warren visited her daughter Mrs. Thompson, the early part of the week.

Miss Mabel McGuire, who has been visiting at Portland and Coquille, returned Saturday.

The new choir of the Hammond, under the leadership of Dr. Skinner, is much appreciated.

Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Hansen, of Hammond, were shopping in Astoria on Saturday.

The eclipse of the moon Saturday evening was observed by the astrophysics on this side.

Several cases of measles are reported in the neighborhood of Fort Stevens and New Astoria.

The council of New Astoria is improving some of the streets. This little town is growing very rapidly.

Judge McGuire and wife were in Astoria Saturday, buying a Christmas dinner for the people of Seaside.

Rev. Halle is improving and was able to fill his pulpit Sunday, but he still carries his arm in a sling.

Mrs. Baya was visiting her son Johnny at Flavel. Mrs. Frank Kitchen returned to Portland with her for the holidays.

Mrs. Philo Eberman, who has been in the hospital at Astoria, returned to her home in Seaside, and is much improved.

The light drama given by the young people of Seaside Saturday evening passed off very smoothly, much to the credit of all.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis of Clatsop Gardens, returned from Portland on Thursday and are receiving the congratulations of their friends.

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A FREE ADVERTISEMENT.

Associated Press Helping Along the Aspirations of Cheyenne, Wyo.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 19.—Bids have been accepted and contracts have been signed or will be signed within a week for nearly three million dollars worth of improvements on Sherman hill, about thirty miles west of Cheyenne, on the main line of the Union Pacific railroad. The improvement consists of a tunnel between one and two miles long through solid granite and a long and deep cut also in granite and an arch and causeway across Dale creek which is now spanned by a wrought iron bridge 100 feet high. The tunnel will begin at Buford, 22 miles west of Cheyenne, and run west. At its western entrance the cut will commence and continue to the Spring. The Dale creek arch and causeway will cost over \$100,000.

TRUST SECURITIES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—A study of the facts in connection with the trust company which came to be and yesterday and of securities with which it was involved showed them unusual and not to be taken as justifying the wholesale fear and disorder which was felt yesterday, not only of all trust companies, but all industrial securities. Nevertheless, there was an abundance of precaution and discrimination shown today against many of the industrials and especially in the placing of loans. They were not acceptable as collateral and money was not easily procured for the purpose of supporting them in the market.

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MCKINLEY'S NOMINATION.

Philadelphia's Superb Building Where That Ceremony Will Take Place.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—The auditorium in the main building of the recent national exposition is pronounced by Chairman J. H. Manley and H. C. Payne, of the sub-committee of the national republican convention as the finest hall ever selected for a national convention.

All the available space is utilized the convention hall will provide 30,000 square feet of room. For the accommodation of newspaper men it is proposed to erect a platform capable of holding about 300 people, half way between the floor and the level of the stage. This will give the newspaper men every opportunity to hear and see.

Mr. Manley, in speaking of the arrangements for the representatives of the press, said:

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